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For: CONTROL APPARATUS OF ELECTRIC POWER STEERING APPARATUS

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

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filing a request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114, and therefore, no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

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Applicant is submitting herewith communications from foreign patent offices in a counterpart application citing such documents, together with an English-language version (if not already included) of at least that portion of the Communication indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office. The following references are cited in foreign office actions: JP 1-145670, JP 6-239247, JP 9-132153, JP 6-144280, and JP 62-118783 (Office Action from Japan Patent Office dated April 12, 2005); JP 10-129509 and JP 10-281235 (Office Action from Japan Patent Office dated July 12, 2005); JP 2000-161435 (Office Action from Japan Patent Office dated October 7, 2005); and DE 692 13 362 (Office Action from the German Patent Office dated November 9, 2005).

Further, Applicant is submitting machine translations for the following foreign language documents: JP 2001-97232; JP 6-144246; JP 8-207797; and JP 2000-159128.

Further, Applicant is submitting English language abstract for the following foreign language documents. JP 62-127868; JP 56-11136; and WO 2004/026665.

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